

Memorandum

TO: Healthy Neighborhoods Leadership
Committee

FROM: Jay Castellano

**SUBJECT: CARDROOM CHARITABLE
CONTRIBUTIONS UPDATE**

DATE: April 8, 2010

Approved

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INFORMATION

The purpose of this memorandum is to update the Healthy Neighborhoods Leadership Committee (HNLC) on the status of the Cardroom Charitable Contributions (CCC) program.

On December 17, 2009, HNLC approved the recommendation to forward the Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI) proposal to Bay 101 and Garden City for their funding consideration. AACI demonstrated that it is best qualified and has the capacity to accomplish the intended outcomes of the CCC Allocation Plan (i.e., programs and services to address problem gambling).

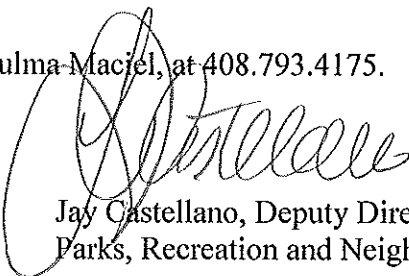
Staff met with the two local cardrooms and AACI in January to discuss the proposal and implementation of the project. The following are highlights of accomplishments to date:

1. Agreements between both parties have been signed and executed.
2. Bay 101 and Garden City have provided first payment installments to AACI.
3. Problem Gambling Summit was hosted by AACI in February 2010.
4. Various educational forums on the topic were provided in March 2010.
5. Thirteen licensed counselors have received certification from the State.
6. Dr. Fong from the UCLA Gambling Studies Program has been contracted to provide capacity building activities, conduct a needs assessment, and implement an evaluation process.

Direct services to clients (referrals from the Gambling Hotline and from local providers) have already begun.

HNLF staff will provide another update to the HNLC in August 2010, and AACI will provide an evaluation report in February 2011 that will provide data related to the inputs, outputs, and outcomes.

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